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The undated P-C story on the scene Lane created at NBC over a statement made by an unnamed cop makes me believe even more that he has flipped out, is really worried about his situation, and has become a player in one of his left-over scenarios.

Brill has not spoken to me. One of the editors checked a few minor points, so minor and unsignificant I wondered what kind of treacle Brill was writing.

The WaPost had a grilled-cheese followup today. I'll enclose a copy.

Crewdson of the NYTimes is working on a piece based on a puff memo Lane wrote Jones that was leaked to Crewdson. Lane lies in it to pretend he has great p.r. working for Jones as soon as he signs Jones up.

Crewdson has not spoken to me but another reporter has read the memo to me.

I've taken and expect to take no Lane initiatives. I believe it will be much more appropriate if he does himself in and I expect him to. I've not heard from the lawyer who filed charges with the bar and have not called him. Don't plan to, either.

But if he or anyone else asks I'll say what I know in response to any questions.

In addition, except as an interesting curiosity and successful con man the observation of whom can be entertaining and diverting I think the time is past when Lane is worth any serious attention or spending any time on.

Among responsible people he has already cut his own head off. One need only wait for it to find the basket.

Thanks and best.